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SRI A. RATNAM :—" இந்த இலாக்காக்களில் எத்தனை அதிகாரிகள் நியமிக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறார்கள் ? அவர்களில் ஹரிஜனங்கள் எவ்வளவு பேர் ? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" One Block Development Officer has been appointed to be in charge of each block and there are various officers working under him. Regarding the representation of various communities, I would like to have notice."

Recruitment of members belonging to Scheduled Castes to the posts of Deputy Collector and Deputy Superintendents of Police.

* 333 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of seats reserved for the members of Scheduled Castes in the recent selections for Deputy Collectors and Deputy Superintendents of Police for which examinations were held during October 1952 and interviews took place in February 1953;

(*b*) whether these posts were given to the members of the Scheduled Castes; and

(*c*) whether any Christian candidates applied for the reserved seats producing certificates of reconversion to Hinduism and whether any such candidate was appointed?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—

" (*a*) *Deputy Collectors*—' one '.

Deputy Superintendent of Police—' two '.

" (*b*) *Deputy Collectors.*—The Madras Public Service Commission has selected a candidate belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for appointment as Deputy Collector. As the candidate is an Andhra and as the question of his appointment is one for consideration by the Government of Andhra, the papers relating to his appointment have been transferred to the Government of Andhra for suitable action.

Deputy Superintendents of Police.—The Madras Public Service Commission selected two candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for appointment as Deputy Superintendents of Police. Of the two, one is an Andhra and the papers relating to his appointment as Deputy Superintendent of Police have been transferred to the Government of Andhra, because the question of appointment is now one for the Government of Andhra to consider. The question of appointing the other candidate in this State is under consideration.

" (*c*) *Deputy Collectors.*—' No '.

Deputy Superintendents of Police.—Of the two vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, one was reserved for a Telugu knowing candidate. The candidate selected against this vacancy produced a certificate

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of reconversion to Hinduism. The papers relating to his appointment as Deputy Superintendent of Police have since been transferred to the Government of Andhra, as it is now a matter for that Government to pursue."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM:—" Sir, in the light of the answer given by the Hon. Minister for Revenue, may I inform the Hon. Minister that a Deputy Superintendent of Police belonging to the Scheduled Castes at present working in Vijayavada in Andhra is not an Andhra, but a Tamilian born in Chittoor district. He is willing to come back to our service. Will the Government look into his application which has been received by the Government? Will the Government take a reasonable attitude and take him back to our service?"

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" The hon. Member need not worry about that. If the concerned person is a non-Andhra, the Andhra Government will take every step to send him back." (Laughter.)

SRI A. RATNAM:—" தகுதியும் திறமையும் வாய்ந்த தாழ்த்தப்பட்ட வகுப்பினர் மனுச் செய்திருக்கும்போது அவர்களை நியமிக்காமல் ஏன் கிருஸ்துவர்களை நியமித்தார்கள்? அதுமட்டுமல்ல, மைசூர் ராஜ்யத்திலிருந்து வந்த கிருஸ்துவர்களையும் தாழ்த்தப்பட்டவர்களையும் கவனிப்பதற்குக் காரணம் என்ன?"

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" No Christians were selected under the guise of Scheduled Castes."

DR. K. B. MENON:—" Does the faith of a person affect his classification as a Harijan or not?"

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI:—" The hon. Member should know by now (it is very important that he should know) that the reservation in the services is reservation only for Scheduled Castes and the Christians cannot be classified as Scheduled Castes but in the case of educational concessions the Government have treated both in the same manner."

SRI M. PALANIYANDI:—" கனம் முதல் மந்திரி பதில் சொல்லும் போது வேலை நியமனம் சம்மந்தப்பட்ட மட்டும் ஷெட்யூல் காஸ்ட் என்று பிரிக்கப்படுகிறது, படிப்புச் சலுகை சம்மந்தமாக பிரிக்கப்படுவது இல்லை என்று சொன்னார். ஆனால் கிருஸ்துவ பறையர்களுக்கும் பள்ளர்களுக்கும் அரைச் சம்பளம்தான் கொடுக்கப்படுகிறது. ஆகவே கிருஸ்துவ தாழ்த்தப்பட்டவர்களை அரசாங்கம் மோசமாக நடத்துகிறது என்பதை அரசாங்கம் மறுக்க முடியுமா?"

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI:—" That is not at all correct. The hon. Member is raising a complaint with reference to educational concessions not being properly administered. I do not think we are making any bad administration in that matter. We are giving the utmost consideration to Christian converts but there are certain difficulties in dealing with them and we are doing our best. The hon. Member should appreciate our difficulties also."

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SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Sir, are the members of the much useful Dhobi community encouraged in these appointments? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" The hon. Member knows that we have given very important concessions to that community."

SRI C. KANDASAMY :—" கிருஸ்துவ மதத்திலிருந்து ஹிந்து மதத்திற்கு மாறி உத்யோகங்கள் பெற்ற பிறகு, மறுபடியும் கிருஸ்துவ மதத்திற்கு மாறினால் அவர்களை அரசாங்கம் என்ன செய்யும் ? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" The idea of giving any concession or reservation for Scheduled Class has nothing to do with the question of conversion or re-conversion. The concession is given to an applicant because he belongs to the Hindu Scheduled Castes and if he changes his religion he changes. We cannot interfere with his previous appointment. Perhaps religion has become so unimportant in the minds of some people that it can change according to the jobs secured. Special concessions lead to such abuses sometimes."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Sir, it is easy enough to avoid giving a direct answer without attaching any seriousness."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI.—" I object to the remark, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" We are serious."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" May I request the Hon. Chief Minister to go into the particular question which I have raised about the Deputy Superintendent of Police belonging to the Scheduled Castes working in Nuzvid in Andhra State. His name is Mr. Munisamy. He is willing to return to Madras, since he is a non-Andhra."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" The hon. Member should be doubly thankful that when there is so much difficulty in getting employment, if really a Tamilian has found employment in Andhra, we should be grateful. When there is any bad treatment he will complain and we will certainly look into it." (Laughter.)

SRI AIYANAR :—" கல்விச் சலுகையில் கிருஸ்துவர்களுக்கு ஹரிஜன நிதியிலிருந்து அரசாங்கம் செலவு செய்யாமல் தனிப்பட்ட முறையில் நிதி ஒதுக்குமா ? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" Sir, as I have already submitted there are many difficulties involved in this matter. That is what I told in reply to Mr. Palniyandi. There are many practical difficulties involved and we are trying to do our best. Let us not divide our people more and more."